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SUBJ: AMBASSADOR'S CONVERSATION WITH PRESIDENT SENGHOR:

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION AND MIDDLE EAST ISSUES

1. SUMMARY: DURING TWO-HOUR PRIVATE DINNER WHICH HE GAVE FOR ANDRE COULBARY, HIS AMBASSADOR TO US, AND AMBASSADOR AND MRS. AGGREY, PRESIDENT SENGHOR COMMENTED ON VARIOUS AFRICAN, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION, MIDDLE EAST AND INTERNAL SENECALESE ISSUES. THIS MESSAGE DEALS WITH INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION AND MIDDLE EAST ISSUES. SENGHOR SAID APPARENT HARDENING OF SENECALESE POSITION IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS HAD LED HIM TO SUMMON HIS UN AMBASSADOR FOR CONSULTATIONS. HE ALSO SAID HE HAD INSTRUCTED HIS UN AMBASSADOR AND FOREIGN MINISTER TO OPPOSE MOVES TO OUST ISRAEL FROM UN. HE CONTINUES URGE ALL PARTIES TO MODERATION IN MIDDLE EAST AND TO HOLD HIMSELF OPEN FOR CONTACTS WITH BOTH SIDES. HE

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NOTED SENECALESE FIGURE HAD BEEN PROPOSED TO HEAD

ISLAMIC SECRETARIAT. PRESIDENT WAS NONCOMMITTAL ON KOREA.  
FINALLY HE AGAIN REITERATED HIS APPRECIATION OF US  
CONCESSIONS ON DC-LDC ISSUES, ACCEPTANCE OF THREE-  
COMMISSION PROPOSAL OF SECRETARY KISSINGER AND BELIEF  
GENERAL DISCUSSION OF PRINCIPLES STILL REQUIRED AT START ANY  
PRODUCER/CONSUMER CONFERENCE. END SUMMARY.

2. SENEGALESE ROLE IN UN. SENGHOR SAID REPORTS FROM MANY  
SOURCES THAT SENEGALESE POSITION IN INTERNATIONAL  
ORGANIZATIONS SEEMED TO HAVE HARDENED HAD LED HIM TO  
SUMMON AMBASSADOR TO UN MEDOUNE FALL TO DAKAR FOR  
CONSULTATIONS. I SAID I HOPED THIS CONSULTATION WOULD  
MEAN THAT SENEGAL WOULD HAVE A MODERATING INFLUENCE IN  
UN COUNCILS. I NOTED GREAT US CONCERN WITH THE TREND  
TOWARD EXPELLING ISRAEL FROM UN AND INDICATED THAT  
RESOLUTION WHICH HAD BEEN PUSHED THROUGH ISLAMIC FOREIGN  
MINISTERS CONFERENCE WAS MOST DISQUIETING DEVELOPMENT.

3. THE UN AND ISRAEL. SENGHOR AGREED AND SAID FOREIGN  
MINISTER ASSANE SECK AND AMBASSADOR MEDOUNE FALL HAVE  
BEEN INSTRUCTED TO OPPOSE IN AFRICAN AND OTHER COUNCILS  
RESOLUTIONS CALLING FOR ISRAEL OUSTER, SENEGAL BELIEVED IN  
UNIVERSALITY OF UN AND PRESIDENT SENGHOR HAD REITERATED  
IN TUNIS SENEGAL'S BELIEF THAT GUARANTEEING FUTURE OF ISRAEL  
AND OF A PALESTINIAN STATE WERE ESSENTIAL TO PEACE IN  
REGION.

4. MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT. HE HAD WRITTEN TO PLO LEADER  
ARAFAT AND PRIME MINISTER RABIN URGING THEM TO DO  
ALL IN THEIR POWER TO SUPPORT CURRENT INITIATIVES FOR  
PEACE SETTLEMENT. HE TOLD RABIN HE WOULD BE IN PARIS ON JULY 24  
AND WOULD BE WILLING TO RECEIVE HIS ENVOY, BUT HE DOUBTED IF  
RABIN WOULD HONOR HIS OFFER. SENGHOR SAID HE CONSIDERED SADAT  
COURAGEOUS MAN WHO REALLY WENT OUT ON A LIMB IN HIS EFFORTS  
FOR PEACE, BUT PROBLEM OF ISRAELI LEADERS WAS THAT THEY  
SEEMED TO TRUST NOTHING BUT FORCE. SENEGAL WOULD TRY TO  
HAVE MODERATING ROLE, BUT MANY OF THESE ISSUES WERE FRAMED  
NOW IN TERMS OF FUNDAMENTAL THIRD-WORLD PRINCIPLES AND  
ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF ISRAEL  
COULD TAKE A FEW MORE POSITIVE STEPS TO STRENGTHEN THE HAND  
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OF MODERATE AFRICANS WHO DID NOT OPPOSE HER EXISTENCE.

5. SENEGALESE PROPOSED AS SECRETARY GENERAL ISLAMIC  
SECRETARIAT. PRESIDENT SENGHOR SAID ISLAMIC CONFERENCE  
HAS REQUESTED THAT PRESIDENT SENGHOR PERMIT KARIM GAYE,  
PRESENT PRESIDENT OF SENEGALESE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL AND  
A FORMER SENEGALESE FOREIGN MINISTER, TO BECOME SECRETARY  
GENERAL OF ISLAMIC SECRETARIAT. COMMENT: ONE OF PROBLEMS

SENGHOR HAD WITH GAYE AS FOREIGN MINISTER WAS THAT HE TENDED TO BE TOO PRO-ARAB. THUS FROM POINT OF VIEW OF ISLAMIC STATES HE MIGHT BE GOOD CHOICE, ESPECIALLY SINCE IT WOULD TEND TO BOX IN SENEGALESE ON ARAB-ISRAELI ISSUE. END COMMENT.

6. KOREA. I TOLD SENGHOR ANOTHER IMPORTANT ISSUE ON WHICH WE HOPED SENEGAL COULD HAVE A HELPFUL AND MODERATING ROLE WAS KOREAN QUESTION, ABOUT WHICH WE HAD TALKED FREQUENTLY IN PAST, AND WE WOULD AGAIN BE IN TOUCH WITH GOS WITH AIDE MEMOIRE ON POSITION WE HOPED THEY COULD SUPPORT. SENGHOR SAID KOREAN QUESTION AND PROBLEM OF FORMOSA WERE TWO REMAINING DIFFICULT ASIAN PACIFIC ISSUES. HE WOULD HEAR OUR VIEWS ON KOREAN ISSUE BUT HE COULD NOT MAKE COMMITMENT.

7. DC-LDC RELATIONS. ON COMMODITIES ISSUE, SENGHOR FEARED DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WERE IN FOR ABOUT THREE YEARS OF NEGOTIATIONS. HE HAD BEEN ENCOURAGED BY THE RECENT CHANGES IN THE US POSITION THAT MOVED CLOSER TO MAIN CONCERN OF PRODUCER STATES. HE REPEATED STATEMENT HE MADE DURING ECHEVERRIA VISIT THAT HE ACCEPTED KISSINGER PROPOSAL OF COMMISSIONS AND OF DISCUSSING COMMODITIES, ONE BY ONE BEGINNING WITH ENERGY, BUT HE FELT THERE SHOULD BE GENERAL DISCUSSION OF PRINCIPLES AS PRELUDE TO DETAILED CONSIDERATIONS.

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